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In re Application of  
Paul F. Coleman, et al..  
Application No. 09/821,877  
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Attorney Docket No. 6794.US.O1

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition, filed April 19, 2004, to revive the above-identified application under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b).

The application became abandoned for a failure to reply in a timely manner to the non-final Office action mailed September 29, 2003, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) was obtained. On April 19, 2004, an amendment and the present petition were filed.

37 CFR 1.137(b)(3) requires a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. Although the statement contained in the petition varies from the language required by 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3), the statement will be construed as the statement required by 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3). Petitioner must notify the Office if this is **not** a correct interpretation of the statement contained in the instant petition.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-9220. All other inquiries regarding this application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 1648 for consideration of the amendment filed April 19, 2004.

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